

24th February 2017

The Prestidge Library is now open!

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who came to support the grand opening of The Prestidge Library at William Morris School. The library was officially opened by Lawrence Prestidge, a local children's author, who cut the ribbon and unveiled a fantastic plaque.

All the children in the school had the opportunity to visit the library, choose a book and read with an adult or a Year 6 pupil. It was a very special day and we really enjoyed watching the children enjoy reading the books and chatting about the characters and stories.

We even received a message from the Mayor - "Please pass on our congratulations to the teachers and students at William Morris School and Mr Prestidge, we wish them a successful day." An extra 'thank you' needs to go to Mrs Martin, Mr Needle and all of the Year 6 pupils in Redwood class who have spent a lot of time getting the library ready, and worked very hard on Thursday reading, serving drinks and tidying up.

All children are welcome to borrow books from the library and take them home to read and enjoy. (Mrs Martin, English Leader)



A reminder to all parents that **the school is providing a £3 voucher for each child** towards the new uniform. Vouchers are ready to collect from the school office. I would like to thank the governors of the school for being so generous in this offer. Our new school uniform has been noted by visitors and children as something to be very proud of. A top tip – don't leave all the expense for the summer ☺

TESCO

There are only 4 days left to collect Tesco tokens!!!! Please get as many friends and family as you can to buy from Tesco. Any tokens left lying in your bag or purse can be left at the office and we will add to the total. If you have the time, you could split your shopping into lots of different little 'shops' to get more tokens!

HEALTHY SNACKS

A reminder to all parents that we are a healthy school. **Children should not bring chocolate or sweets to school and should not have sugary drinks.**

Children with these items in their lunchboxes will not be allowed to have them at school and they will be sent home unopened.

FRIENDS OF WILLIAM MORRIS (FOWM) UPDATE

Friends of William Morris would like to say a huge thank you all the parents/carers for supporting previous events such as the Christmas fayre and the upcoming film night. By supporting these events you have helped us raise £5000 towards our target for playground equipment. With your continued support we can reach our target. We have a few confirmed events and many more being planned. Next event is our Easter Extravaganza being held at the beginning of April. (Laura Shepherd)

PLAYGROUND PROJECT UPDATE

If we win the TESCO competition, we will be very near our target/goal of raising £10,000 - £15,000 for our outdoor play equipment. When the results are in we will be able to let you know exactly how close we are.

FOUNDATION STAGE NOTICE

From Monday could all Oak Class children please line up on the playground with the rest of the school.

Now the weather is improving could all children please bring in a pair of trainers to wear on the field at lunchtimes.

LITTER PICKERS

Our school is just getting better and better! The latest addition is an enthusiastic and unstoppable group of Litter Pickers from Cherry Class. They had their first outing with Ms Price this week and did a great job clearing up the grounds. Unfortunately a lot of rubbish gets blown and swept onto the school premises from the public footpath but it is no match for our proud proud school. **Great job team!**



Diary dates for upcoming events:

Year 1 parents – there will be a meeting at 3:15-3:45 repeated at 6:00- 6:30 on

Wednesday 1st March to let parents know about the Year 1 phonics check which all Year 1 children will take part in June. It is important that all Year 1 parents attend one of the meetings. The meetings will be approximately half an hour long and there will be a creche available for the 3:15pm meeting.

The winning house for the week is:



Year 2 parents – there will be a meeting at 3:15 repeated at 6:00 on **Wednesday 8th March** to let parents know about the Year 2 SATs test which all Year 2 children will take in May/June. It is important that all Year 2 parents attend one of the meetings.

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March. Children can dress up as their favourite book character.

Year 6 Tuition - Tutoring takes place on **Mondays 3.15-4.15pm.**

Clubs next week – Monday Football, Wednesday Dance, Thursday Gardening, Thursday Drama, Friday Card Shots Club. Please see the school office for further details.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND AND SEE YOU ON MONDAY

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Julie Hiddleston and the school team